THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

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ANIONIC POLYMERS COMPOSED OF DICARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND USES

THEREOF

Group Art Unit No. 1713

Examiner: Helen Lee Pezzuto

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the office action dated November 19, 2004, amendment and reconsideration of the above application is requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.